

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A gaming machine comprising:
 a chassis defining a gaming machine interior region and a gaming machine exterior surface;
 a gaming machine controller for controlling the outcome of a primary game played on said gaming machine;
 a main display capable of presenting the outcome of a primary game play on the gaming machine; and
 a secondary display, which is a flat panel display, provided on said gaming machine at a location disposed apart from said main display and displaying video content.
2. The gaming machine of claim 1, further comprising a secondary display support on which said secondary display is mounted, said secondary display support being attached to the gaming machine chassis by a hinge.
3. The gaming machine of claim 2, wherein the hinge allows the secondary display to be moved from (i) an operating position in which at least a portion of the gaming machine interior is blocked to (ii) a maintenance position in which said portion is accessible.
4. The gaming machine of claim 1, wherein the secondary display is provided in a top box portion of the gaming machine, which top box portion is located above the main display portion of the gaming machine.
5. The gaming machine of claim 1, wherein the secondary display is provided in a belly portion of the gaming machine, which belly portion is located below a main display portion of the gaming machine.
6. The gaming machine of claim 1, wherein the secondary display is selected from the group consisting of flat panel cathode ray tubes, liquid crystal displays, plasma displays, field emission displays, digital micromirror displays, LCD touchscreens, and combinations thereof.
7. The gaming machine of claim 1, wherein the main display comprises a set of spinning reels.

8. The gaming machine of claim 1, wherein the video content includes material selected from the group consisting of a casino kiosk, television programming, a secondary game, primary game outcome information, player attraction material, video conferencing, casino service notification and combinations thereof.

9. The gaming machine of claim 8, wherein the video content is a secondary game which includes a bonusing component to a primary game, which primary game has its results displayed on the main display.

10. The gaming machine of claim 1, further comprising one or more speakers provided in the gaming machine and one or more ports for transmitting sound from the speakers to locations outside the gaming machine.

11. The gaming machine of claim 1, wherein the secondary display support includes a casing which encloses one or more memory devices.

12. The gaming machine of claim 11, wherein at least one of said memory devices stores animation data for display on said secondary display.

13. The gaming machine of claim 1, further comprising a top glass located in front of said secondary display and said secondary display support.

14. A method of displaying video content on a gaming machine having (i) a main display capable of presenting the outcome of a primary game play on the gaming machine and (ii) a secondary display, which is a flat panel display, provided on said gaming machine at a location disposed apart from said main display, the method comprising:

displaying video content to a gaming machine player on the secondary display; and

in response to a player initiating a play on the gaming machine, presenting the outcome of the play on the main display of the gaming machine.

15. The method of claim 14, wherein the gaming machine includes a secondary display support on which said secondary display is mounted and the method comprises moving said secondary display support from an operating position in which at least a portion of the gaming machine interior is blocked to a maintenance position in which said portion is accessible.

16. The method of claim 14, wherein said video content comprises material selected from the group consisting of a casino kiosk, television programming, a secondary game, player attraction material, video conferencing, casino services notification and combinations thereof.

17. The method of claim 14, wherein the video content is a bonusing game that provides awards dependent upon the outcome of said primary game play which has its outcome displayed on the main display.

18. The method of claim 17, wherein the bonusing game results in awards of credits or increased jackpots.

19. The method of claim 14, wherein the secondary display employed in the step of displaying video content is selected from the group consisting of flat panel cathode ray tubes, liquid crystal displays, plasma displays, field emission displays, digital micromirror displays, LCD touchscreens, and combinations thereof.

20. The method of claim 14, wherein presenting the results of a play on the main display is made in response to a play on a game selected from the group consisting of a video slot game, a spinning reel game, an electronic video poker card game, an electronic keno game, and an electronic blackjack game.

21. The method of claim 14, wherein presenting the results of a play on the main display is made in response to a play on a video card game.

22. The method of claim 14, further comprising a step of accessing data stored on a memory device provided within said secondary display support, the accessed data being used to display said video content on the secondary display.

23. A gaming machine comprising:
a projection-type liquid crystal display located in an interior portion of said gaming machine, said projection-type liquid crystal display capable of displaying video content directed to a gaming machine player;
a screen provided on an exterior portion of the gaming machine; and
projection apparatus for projecting said video content onto said screen for viewing by the gaming machine player.

24. The gaming machine of claim 23, wherein the projection-type liquid crystal display is capable of generating the image such that said image includes cropping which changes the shape of a display region on said screen.

5 25. The gaming machine of claim 23, wherein the screen is provided in a top glass portion of the gaming machine, which top glass portion is located above a main display portion of the gaming machine, and wherein the main display portion presents the results of a play on the gaming machine.

10 26. The gaming machine of claim 23, wherein the screen is provided in a belly glass portion of the gaming machine, which belly glass portion is located below a main display portion of the gaming machine, and wherein the main display portion presents the results of a play on the gaming machine.

15 27. The gaming machine of claim 23, wherein the screen forms at least part of a main display portion of the gaming machine, and wherein the main display portion presents the results of a play on the gaming machine.

20 28. The gaming machine of claim 23, wherein the screen is provided above a top glass portion of the gaming machine, and wherein the main display portion presents the results of a play on the gaming machine.

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